

Sentence Problems Review 1

Good sentences are essential to good writing. In order to write good sentences, you need to avoid some basic sentence errors. Three of the more common sentence errors are **run-on sentences**, **comma splices**, and **sentence fragments**. (See *Texas Write Source* pages 565–566 and 568 to review these errors, or look back to specific exercises you have already completed on each type of error.)



Directions

Place an “RO” in front of each run-on sentence that follows. Place a “CS” in front of each comma splice and an “F” before each sentence fragment. Then fix each error. The first one has been done for you.

- RO 1. Last night, Sam and I biked to the arena to see our favorite band in concert, it was a very interesting ride.
- _____ 2. Our route through downtown traffic.
- _____ 3. Biking soon became tricky, the roads were jammed with traffic heading for the concert.
- _____ 4. Impatient drivers blowing their car horns.
- _____ 5. Sam was really nervous about all the traffic, he wasn't used to bumper-to-bumper cars.
- _____ 6. More like New York City than Madison, Wisconsin.
- _____ 7. We were riding in the bike lane, cars kept edging over toward us.
- _____ 8. We finally made it to the arena Sam confessed he had been worried we wouldn't make it.
- _____ 9. Sitting so far back that the musicians looked like ants.
- _____ 10. The sound was great, though we probably heard better than the people in the front row.